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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the office action dated June 16, 2005. It is not believed that any petition for extension of time to respond to this action is required in order to maintain the pendency of this application. However, if an extension of time is required, kindly consider this to be a petition therefore. It is not believed that any fee is due with the filing of this response. However, if there is any fee that is due, kindly charge the same to the undersigned attorney's deposit account 50-3406.

Kindly amend the above referenced application as follows: